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GENERAL NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN.

The Place of Holding the Convention.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—A considerable number of the members of the national republican central committee who passed through Omaha yesterday and to-day have been interviewed and almost unanimously agree that the republican convention should be held in Chicago. A delegation will leave here to-morrow for Washington to present to the national committee the reasons favorable to the selection of this city which are claimed to be numerous and weighty. The members pass through from Pacific coast states generally agree there is about an even preference in favor of Grant and Blaine for first place on the presidential ticket with a tendency to consider Grant the most popular in the country at large and Blaine the most popular on the coast.

Drowned.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 11.—Yesterday morning two children of William McCroy, one a girl aged 9 and a boy aged 3 years, were drowned by the breaking of a dam of about a pond 13 miles north of this city. The pond was formed by two dams a quarter of a mile apart. The recent heavy rains swelled the waters causing the lower dam to break, and a torrent of water swept down on McCroy's cottage near the ice pond. McCroy and two of his children in his arms, and followed by a third, the youngest, and followed by his wife, attempted to wade through the water from his house which was surrounded to the depth of six feet. Floating cakes of old ice houses knocked the little boy out of his father's arms and tore the little girl from his grasp and they were drowned before the wife and their remaining child could be rescued.

Union League.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—At a meeting of the Union League Club to-night Col. Rush C. Hawley offered a resolution enacting that as the democrats should be elected members of the club, and in supporting it said the south was again manifesting menacing symptoms and it was necessary for the club to be able to tell who were democrats and who were not. A vote was taken on the resolution by ballot, another resolution was offered which directed the art committee to procure some but American paintings.

State Officers.

ALBANY, Dec. 11.—The general assembly has rejected two of the remaining state officers. The readjusters held a meeting and the name of George C. Cox, who had been nominated as their candidate for railroad commissioner, was withdrawn and that of Capt. Asa Rogers, jr., of Buffalo substituted. Mr. Rogers is at present manager of the Richmond & Allegheny railroad.

Railroad Transfer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—There is the best authority for the statement that the papers in the transaction between the chief owners have been signed and the St. Louis & San Francisco road is virtually passed into the hands of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Company. A conference between the executive officers of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad and those of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe was held in the private office in this city last week. The joint line is since $25,000,000 bonds, half to be held by each concern. This amount will be used solely to build the road from the terminus of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road to the Pacific. It is said $12,500,000 have already been subscribed for the construction.

Resolutions on Legal Tender Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Petitions for the repeal of the legal tender act as far as it relates to silver, signed by a large number of influential citizens of Boston, were forwarded to Morehead Field of Boston, republican congressman.

Civil Rights.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Samuel Singleton, lessee of the Grand Opera House, has been indicted by the U. S. grand jury for violation of the civil rights law, he having refused admission to the theater of Wm. R. Derry, a colored man, has been arrested.

Subscribed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—It is said that $12,000 of the $25,000,000 of bonds of the new line of the Pacific have already been subscribed for in Boston.

The Resignation.

It is said Edison's resignation has been accepted by the directors of the Western Union Telegraph Co. His successor has not been appointed, but it is believed Albert B. Chandler, present secretary, will be chosen. It is said that Gen. Eckert will accept the presidency of the American Union Telegraph Co.

Declared Elected.

HENRY, Dec. 12.—The board of state canvassers all republican candidates elected—state engineer and surveyor, Hoxie; senator, Ir., democratic candidate for senate, is declared elected.

The Isthmus Route.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—President Riley, of the Pacific Mail Co., received a cablegram from Liverpool, say ng that passengers mails and specie were going forward regularly. It stated that the freight transportation will be resumed by Christmas. The damage to the Granada Aspinwall will not exceed $20,000.

Gives it Up, and Says we Might as well Fight.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A special from Los Angeles, Col., Dec. 11, says that after leaving Fort Steele, where they will conduct the investigation, Gen. Hatch, chairman of the commission, says: "I don't believe that these Indians will allow themselves to be taken to Colorado. I don't believe that a treaty can be made elsewhere, and I believe we had better sell and this business and fight it out. If Ouray had appeared at the agency on the 9th or Thursday, though Ouray had promised to return with Douglass and others specified, by Thursday."

Only a "Nigger" Killed.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12.—A Carroll parish negro democratic organ, says David Harrison, a colored man living with his father on the Morancy place, near Milliken's Bend, Madison parish, was taken out of his house on Sunday night last preceding the night by 25 or 30 men. Over 20 shots were said and heard by persons on the place. Pools of blood and a sheet covered with gore were found near the bank of the river next morning, but no trace whatever of Harrison. He is reported as being an independent, living himself on the Morancy place, and had good crops every year.

The writing the above a report has been received that the body of Armstrong, who was killed by Kennedy spying, was found out of the river three days ago and identified.

Murder at Sea.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12—Abraham Annetta, a Portuguese, and Francis Adams, a Spaniard, both sailors, were arrested this afternoon on a warrant issued by U. S. grand jury for the murder on the high seas and of securing the schooner *M. S. Henderson*, of Philadelphia, bound to Baltimore from Buenos Ayres, the vessel went ashore Nov. 20th, on Kitty Hawk, and went to pieces. Annetta, Adams and another sailor, not yet arrested, were the only ones who escaped from the wreck, and as soon as they reached shore, started off without waiting for any of those of the officers have been found, which led to the theory that they had probably fairly dealt with by Atlantic, and the other survivors, who then seized the vessel in order to conceal their crime.

Jeff Davis Called Upon to Disgorge.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 12—A bill in equity was filed to-day in the U. S. circuit court on behalf of Mrs. Edward Peckham, of Louisiana, Stephen Percy Ellis, of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mrs. Mariner Dahlgren, of St. Louis, executors and executrix of the late Mrs. Sarah Ann Dorsey, against Jefferson Davis. The object of the bill is to have declared null and void the will of Mrs. Dorsey, of Jan 4, 1879 by which the bulk of her estate was bequeathed to Davis. The bill alleges that there are the legal heirs to the estate. The grounds of annulment are stated that previous to and at the time of writing and signing of the will Mrs. Dorsey was not of sound, disposing mind, being under the undue influence of the defendant that the latter was guilty of inducing and controlling the

WASHINGTON CITY.

Railroad Measures Referred.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The senate committee on railroads organized for business to-day and referred several of the pending measures on its docket to subcommittees as follows: The bill extending the time for the completion of the Northern Pacific railroad, to Ransom, Cass and Windom; the bill introduced by Saunders to grant lands in aid of the construction of a railroad from Omaha to the Yellowstone national Park to Eston, Saunders and Jones, and Call's Mexican border railroad bills to a subcommittee, consisting of Jones, Windom and Grover. The bills last mentioned provide for the construction of railroads from San Antonio to Loredo and from Galveston to Camargo.

The Wards Again.

The senate committee on Indian affairs this morning took up the Indian question as presented by the joint resolution of Hill, of Colorado, providing for negotiations to obtain the consent of non-hostiles for the extinguishment of their title to the Ute reservation in Colorado, and for the removal of all Utes from that state and their settlement in the Indian territory or elsewhere. Both of the Colorado senators appeared before the committee to present their views on the subject. Teller argued that the Utes, as a tribe, have forfeited their treaty to obtain their consent to their removal. Hence he specially objected to the clause which seemed to imply that such consent is necessary. Hill informed the committee that he considered this clause entirely immaterial, because "negotiation" implies consent. He therefore had no objection to its being stricken out, for his object was simply to effect a removal of the Utes in the most speedy manner practicable, and he believed the enactment of this measure, either with or without the suggested amendment, would accomplish that purpose. Teller, in reply, expressed his opinion that the retention of this clause in the bill would be equivalent to giving the Utes notice that they could go or remain, just as they saw fit. And this choice should not be given them. The committee thereupon unanimously agreed to recommend the passage of Hill's joint resolution, with the single amendment above indicated, and reported it to the senate, which body, on motion of Teller, further amended it by striking out the reference to the Indian territory, and providing that the negotiations shall be directed towards the settlement of the Utes in some suitable place not in Indian territory. The full text of the joint resolution as passed by the senate is as follows:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the secretary of the interior be and he is hereby authorized and empowered, through a commission of five persons, to be appointed by the president or by direct negotiation, as he may deem best to enter into an agreement with such of the Ute Indians in Colorado as may not, by actual hostility against the United States or otherwise forfeited their rights under existing treaties, for the extinguishment of their title to their reservation in said state, and for their removal and settlement in some suitable place, not in Indian territory, and said secretary of the interior shall report his proceedings under this resolution to congress for its consideration and approval; the expense of such negotiation to be paid by the United States for which purpose the sum of $40,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Land Decisions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The secretary of the interior has modified in favor of Shirland, the decision of the commissioner of the general land office in the case of Joseph Kelly vs E. W. Shirland, from Sacramento, district of California.

The secretary affirms the decision of the commissioner of the general land office, denying the application of John Hiltons, as also that of Bernard Mayer to enter lands in the San Francisco district of California, under the act of March 3, 1875.

Circulars in the Mails.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The house committee have agreed to report adversely on the bill allowing circulars to be carried in mails under newspaper rates.

Postponed.

The senate finance committee has postponed, till after the Christmas recess, the Warner silver bill, the trade dollar bill and Bayard's resolution concerning greenbacks, on the ground that the subjects require fuller discussion than could be given by the committees before adjournment.

National Railroad Commission.

The representatives of the national board of trade made arguments to-day before the house committee on commerce, taking strong grounds in favor of congress regulating the charges for transportation of freight by railroad companies and favoring a national railway commission to supervise all matters relative thereto.

Finance Measures in Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Before the senate finance committee to-day there was some informal discussion of Bayard's resolution, from the tenor of which, and the known opinion of two members who were absent, it may be foreshadowed that Voorhees, Perry, Jones, of Nev., and Allison, will oppose a favorable report upon the resolution, and that Kernan, Wallace and Morrill will earnestly aid Bayard in its advocacy. The casting vote upon the question of reporting is therefore, to be given by Beck, who has not yet indicated what position he will take in regard to it.

A prominent member of the committee said to-day that the trade dollar bill will undoubtedly be reported from the committee with the amendments proposed by Perry at the last session, viz: to provide that the trade dollar offered in exchange for standard dollars shall be received only at their market value as bullion, and that the amount of trade dollars converted into standard dollars by exchange shall be counted as part of the annual minimum coinage of the latter as now authorized by law.

The Western Union before a Committee.

The Western Union Telegraph Co., in response to a subpœna issued by the senate committee on privileges and elections for the production of all messages in regard to Senator Ingalls' election, and all so as and especially certain others covering the time six months of 1879 which subpœna was made returnable on the 11th inst., have asked and obtained an extension of time to the 16th inst., when they propose to appear before the committee by counsel, and show cause why the subpœna should not be obeyed. It is understood that the refusal is based upon the ground that the subpœna requires the production of books and records without specifying persons or dates and without showing that they contain anything material to the subject of our inquiry, and that the company is averse it to be their duty to their patrons and the public generally to resist any unnecessary and unwarranted disclosure of private business. Senator Ingalls has, however, filed with the committee his consent to the production of all telegrams, whether sent or received by him, and during the past two months has in person and by telegraph requested the president of the telegraph company to deliver them to the committee.

DISTRESSED IRELAND.

Charles Stewart Parnell Portrays the Feeling in Ireland—The Miserable Conduct of the English Government, Etc.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—In reply not to a cable message of inquiry as to the present condition of affairs in Ireland and the hopes and expectations of the nationalists the following dispatch from Charles Stewart Parnell, M. P., was received at the *Daily News* office this day.

DUBLIN, Dec. 12.

The arrest of Davitt was prompted by a desire of the government to get rid of him as the chief organizer of the land agitation and also in the hope that the people would be intimidated by a state prosecution and driven to illegal and violent action. The result, instead of accomplishing the movement has been powerful to assist it. Land clubs are being formed in every part of the three kingdoms and subscriptions are pouring in. The nationalists, repealers and home rulers are united and have found a common platform in the watchword, "The land for the people." The government, by its attempt to arrest the movement, may in its desperation resolve upon further illegal and unconstitutional action and arrest other leaders, but the latter lords are armed and the castle is intimidated by the determined action of the people. The threatened evictions have ceased. As a result of the success of the Ballinasloe anti eviction meeting, there are no biddings for estates at the sales in the Ballinasloe districts, and tenants are allowed to become owners on easy terms. The leading Irish reformers are in strong sympathy with our movement. The French press at last is showing their appreciation of the true position of affairs here and send special correspondents to watch the progress of the winter campaign. The spirit of the people is maintained with redoubled vigor notwithstanding the snow on the ground, and hearty and cold already pinch many. Great suffering is anticipated after Christmas, and the government trusts that in this way the courage of the people may be broken. Swarms of paid spies are infesting the country. Additional troops are also shed to the stations in the south and west, and large levies of constabulary recruits are just ordered, all indicating the determination of the government to take advantage of the sufferings of the people and drive them to deeds of violence. No relief works have yet been undertaken, nor is it good, no harvest ever was, but orders have been issued to prepare additional workhouse accommodation. The attitude of our people, up to the present time, is magnificent. They are self restrained and reliant and resolved not to be betrayed into any precipitate or illegal action. At yesterday's meeting of the executive committee of the National Land League was held for day when the ordinary business, it was decided that I should start for New York with Mr. John Dillon son of the late John B Dillon as soon as possible.

CHARLES STEWART PARNELL.

Will be Evicted.

CARLSBAD, Dec. 12.—The sub-sheriff of Mace and a large force of police have gone to Loonamoore to evict farmer Dempsey, to protest against whose eviction the Ballinasloe meeting of the 22d ult. was held.

Evicted at Last.

The eviction of Dempsey was accomplished quietly. The tenants remaining on the property are forbidden to shelter the Dempsey family which at last account remained by the roadside.

True Bills.

The grand jury at Carrick-on-Shannon, have found true bills against Davitt, Killen and Daly, for sedition. The counsel for the crown presented writs reviving the Tuam and Dublin Res. counsel for Killen, protested and advised Killen to remain in prison.

Will not Proceed.

LONDON, Dec. 12—A Dublin correspondent asserts that the government does not intend to proceed with the prosecutions against Davitt, Daly and Killen. A subsequent application for trial was made to Killen's case, but it was ordered to stand over.

Coming.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A passage has been booked for Charles S. Parnell and friend, in the steamer *Scythia*, which sails from Liverpool for New York on the 20th inst.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

A Protest.

PARIS, Dec. 11—The *Republique Francais* protests against the dissolution of the chamber before the expiration of its term.

Will Continue.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Lepage has agreed to carry on provisionally the three out of his department, the cabinet having resolved not to appoint his successor for the present.

Fallen in Disgrace.

Radoussi, formerly chief of a department in the ministry of agriculture, has been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for forgery and embezzlement.

Hanging on the Wire Edge.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Tirard, minister of agriculture and commerce, makes no secret of the fact that his tenure of office is the most precarious.

To be Discussed.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Count Schouvaloff will visit Prince Bismarck shortly, when he will doubtless inform the prince more fully regarding the real reason of his retirement from London and the nature of the contemplated change in the policy of Russia. The question of the successor to D'Oubril is sure to be discussed.

An Election.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—The election of a member to the reichstag from Madgeburg attracts much attention. Herr Verick, socialist, who was lately turned out of Berlin, polled 1271 votes, and Herr Weber, national liberty, 1149. A second election will be necessary.

The Flood in Hungary.

PESTH, Dec. 11.—The small town of Brod on the river Korce has been inundated, also a part of the town of Karlsburg on the river Maros. Some lives have been lost.

Subsiding.

The flood in the river Maros is subsiding.

The Flood in Transylvania.

VIENNA, Dec. 12.—Nearly all the rivers and brooks in Transylvania are overflowed, laying under water vast tracts of country, and destroying bridges and houses, interrupting communication and sweeping away farming utensils, cattle and grain. In some cases the inhabitants were for days on trees and the roofs of houses awaiting rescue.

At Work.

MADRID, Dec. 11.—The first act of the new ministry has been to support a greater part of the foreign telegrams that mentioned the cause and effect of the resignation of Martinez Campos.

Gen. Martinez Campos.

MADRID, Dec. 11.—Gen. Martinez Campos has assured his friends that he intends to retire to private life, as he has entirely severed his connection with the party in power on account of their treatment of him.

Spanish News.

MADRID, Dec. 11.—Several generals in the army, high in command in Spain and Cuba, such as Captain-General Blanco, and Gens. Pendeggast and Cassola, tendered their resignations as soon as they heard of the fall of the premier, Martinez Campos' ministry.

The liberal newspapers in Spain deplore the resignation of Premier Campos. They think that sensible conservatives were divided, King Alfonso should have entrusted the government to Sagasta and the Liberals instead of those who, for nine months, have opposed and thwarted the abolition and free trade policy of Campos. The newspapers also express alarm concerning the effect in Cuba of his resignation.

Called Home.

ST PETERSBURG, Dec. 11.—Count Schouvaloff has been summoned to St. Petersburg to help in the search of the conspirators who made the recent attempt on the life of the czar, and to aid in the suppression of nihilism.

Nihilist Arrested.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—The *National Gazette* reports that the man mentioned in a dispatch from St Petersburg as having been arrested on the vicinity of the winter palace, was arrested last Saturday. He had in his possession a number of electric battleries, dynamite cartridges and a complete plan of the winter palace. Previous to his arrest a printed proclamation had been found announcing that the winter palace would be blown up on the certain Sunday.

Nearly Completed.

GENEVA, Dec. 11.—The St. Gothard tunnel is within less than five hundred metres of completion. The junction of the galleries will be effected within one month.

Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—John Sigerdson an Icelandic savant is dead.

Attempted Assassination.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 12.—Lord Lytton, viceroy of India, on his arrival here to-day evening on a tour of the provinces, was twice fired at, but escaped injury. The would be assassin was arrested.

A correspondent writing to THE OREGONIAN from Beypore, Dec. 14th, says: "Two inches of snow, and still snowing."

GRANT'S EASTERN TRIP.

Brilliant Banquet at Cincinnati—Scene at the Miami Depot—Columbus does the Grand—Etc.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12.—The banquet to night at the Burnet hotel was one of the most brilliant in the history of the city. The beautiful dining hall was completely covered with tables and the tables compactly filled with guests. Gen. Grant occupied the center of the first table. The floral ornaments were exquisite. Seated on the right of Gen. Grant was Gov. Bishop, then Hon. W. S. Groesbeck, Hon. S. F. Hunt, Hon. A. Perry, J. Elwin Speer, Bishop Jaggar, Murat Halstead, Dr. Snively. Next to Gen. Grant on the left was A. T. Goodman, Mayor Jacobs, Gen. Tyndall, Rudland Smith, Judge M. F. Force, Hon. Benj. Eggleston, James Bugbee, Hon. J. R. Gibson. It was 9 o'clock when the company marched into the hall to the music of the Thomas orchestra. Hon. Alphonso Taft as president of the least introduced the evening with a brief and fitting speech. Toasts followed. The speeches were generally brief, but the banquet did not close until a late hour. Gen. Grant leaves early in the morning for Columbus. Gen. Grant, being loudly called for, arose and said:

I have listened to every word the eloquent gentleman has uttered, and I endorse every one of them. If the gentleman and myself have differences in politics it is because we vote the opposite tickets for certainly our views at the start. (Laughter and applause.) Gentlemen I thank you for this kind reception, and for your kindly interest in the words spoken by you eloquent speakers.

Good-bye at Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 11.—Gen. Grant this morning received representatives of the Evangelical Ministerial Alliance at the Gibson House, and later, the members of the ex-Army and Navy Officers' Society. There was no time for speeches, as the train left at 1 o'clock, and with a brief hand shake and a fraternal word, he hurried away to the Miami depot and took the train for Columbus amid cheers of the crowd there assembled.

At Columbus.

COLUMBUS, Dec. 12.—General and Mrs. Grant were received in grand style here to-day. The streets were early filled with people, and everything bespoken a successful day. The decorations were abundant, flags on impressing and mottoes over all. The Grant party arrived at 2:15 P.M., and were greeted by 21 guns, by whistles and cheers. Mayor Colling made the welcoming address on behalf of the city. Gov. Bishop made an address on behalf of the state.

Gen. Grant responded as follows:

I thank the citizens of Columbus and the state of Ohio for the cordial greeting I am receiving at their hands. Ohio has been from its first admission into the union, energetic, growing and prosperous state. I am very glad to hear of the additional prosperity which has come upon the state in the last few years, and to know that its prosperity is becoming general throughout the country. If we can have it extend over the whole of our broad land it will go far towards diminishing the political asperity that has kept us at least, I think, uncertain as to our future. Nothing host of sensible business producers commerce, thin and good citizenship than general and diffused prosperity. I hope that what Columbus has been experiencing these few years that you have enjoyed may extend to every foot of our broad country. Nothing else is wanted but unity of sentiment and unity of people to perpetuate that which we have obtained and history for a while to live by. Mr. Mayor, I thank the citizens of Columbus for this pleasant greeting. (Great applause.)

At the banquet to-night Gen. Grant jocularly expressed his gratification that he would no more be called on by Ohioans to make speeches. He said:

Now, gentlemen, it would be more repetition for me to say how thankful I am for the honor with which I have been received, not only in Columbus but in every place I have been in my native state, as well as in my place I have been since I returned to America.

Charles Foster, governor elect, made a fine speech on the nation.

At the capitol Gen. Grant shook hands with citizens and the school children. The procession formed at four o'clock and formed a fine array. There was a brilliant illumination in the evening. A ball was given at the capitol by the governor to-night, and General Grant received for an hour.

THE ENGLISH IN AFGHANISTAN.

Formidable Uprising—Cabul Invested by an Immense Army—A Brilliant but Fruitless Struggle—An Insight to Account—Critical Situation.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE OREGONIAN.]

CABUL, Dec. 10.—General MacPherson occupied Saikh Kotal Kust in time to prevent the junction of the Kohistans with a force from Ghuzgnee. The Kohistans not occupied a position near Kotal, were attacked and dislodged, leaving several stand of arms. Our loss was a few men slightly wounded. General Baker was to move by way of Chai Kohistan, to take them in the rear, while Gen. Massy with a force of horse artillery, two squadrons of the 9th lancers, and one regiment of the 14th Bengal lancers, was to join General MacPherson by way of Charisiab valley for a combined movement with the object of driving the enemy south on Gen. Baker's command. Gen. Massy encountered Mahmund Jan's force numbering 1,000 sepoys and tribesmen, and his cavalry made a brilliant charge, but without apparent effect on the vast body of the enemy. The country is most difficult, being cut by numerous water courses. Four guns, in returning, were upset, spiked and abandoned, but were subsequently recovered. The enemy made for Cabul gorge but were checked there by a detachment of the 72d Highlanders from Sherpur cantonment. The enemy then turned towards Baker's command, and now occupy the heights south of Bala Hissar. They are admirably led, and two or three thousand of them are armed with Snyder rifles. They lost heavily by the cavalry charge and artillery fire, but never wavered. Our loss is believed to be 18 killed, including two lieutenants, and 25 wounded, including one officer. Gen. MacPherson is now attacking the enemy. Guides have arrived from Lenadie bread, and Gen. Baker is coming from Maidan.

A Failure.

A dispatch from Cabul dated Thursday says the combined movement of Gens. Massy and MacPherson miscarried. The cavalry arrived at the point of junction too early and encountered large masses of the enemy, and the guns for a time fell into the enemy's hand, as they were afterwards recovered. The insurgents who form a considerable force about the city, are being attacked this morning by General MacPherson, who yesterday inflicted a severe loss upon them.

Waits to Fight the British.

CANDAHAR, Dec. 11.—It is believed that Ayoub Kahn, who is reported to be marching from Herat on Candahar, has built up power, and that he is swayed by the desires of his unpaid and mutinous soldiery. They are excited by reports brought by fugitives from Cabul. As these soldiers have not yet fought the British, they believe they are able to retrieve the defeat of the Sutlej.

THE MAINE DEMOCRATS.

They Elect Fifteen Republicans by Throwing out returns—Nine Texas cat ingenuity—Some Ugly Charges.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 11—The Maine *Standard*, the democratic organ of the state government, announces to-day in a semi-official tone that the returns from Portland, Lewiston, Saco, Augusta, Hallowell, Bath and Rockland, as representatives, all have some technical defect, and that the power to act and council will reject them all. Fifteen republican representatives elected in that manner. Four of the republican council elected will be counted out. In Portland the defect was in using the word "voting" instead of "balloting" in the oath administered to the deputies at the polls. It is claimed that Dr. Brooks, democratic candidate for governor, is ineligible. The law provides that no person shall be eligible to the office of governor or council who shall have been a member of the last legislature, or senator, unless, prior to the day of election, he shall have resigned his seat. Brooks was a senator, but did not resign. The democratic council will reject the votes of Portland, Lewiston, Saco, Augusta, Hallowell, Bath and Rockland, on the ground that the returns are not certified to as required by law. The democratic council will reject these all the same as the republican council rejected the votes of Buena Vista, Wisconsin, on the ground that the returns were signed by three additional inspectors. In Portland the defect was in using the word "voting" instead of "balloting" in the oath administered to the deputies at the polls. It is claimed that Dr. Brooks, democratic candidate for governor, is ineligible. The law provides that no person shall be eligible to the office of governor or council who shall have been a member of the last legislature, or senator, unless, prior to the day of election, he shall have resigned his seat. Brooks was a senator, but did not resign

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MERCHANT MARINE

The importance of this subject will be fully realized by the reader when it is stated that fully $100 000 000 per annum is paid by the people of the United States to foreign ship owners for the transportation of their imported and exported merchandise American ships at the same time are receiving less and less proportion of freight money In fact they carry less freight now than they did twenty years ago notwithstanding the enormous increase of our foreign trade The tonnage up lished in the net quality of vessels coming to our own port from abroad Of the vessels engaged in the wheat trade of Oregon we Europe from 1864 to 1868 inclusive to late 10 out of 448 were American The number each year has been as follows

	Amer	For	Tot
18	—	56	56
18 "	6	79	85
1876	—	66	73
1877	11	67	78
1878 ...	6	46	52
18	1	50	51

Other shipping points in the country show the same insignificant portion of the carrying trade done by American bottoms These facts point inevitably to the conclusion that national laws regulating this branch of industry are in some way defective and that they act as a check on that individual enterprise to which our commercial prominence and success before the war was due Indeed everybody who think on the subject admit that the wrong exists and the great necessity of a remedy A writer in the *Times* advances some views on the matter which strike us as being entirely sound He claims that thus far in all that has been said and done in congress the impression seems to prevail that what is needed to stimulate the flagging energies of our shipping merchants is the granting to them of public aid in the shape of subsidies to great lines of steamers to ply between our own and various foreign ports Undoubtedly, much can be said in favor of such a plan as a temporary and very restricted means of improvement but when it is held out as a panacea for the debilitated constitution of our merchant marine it becomes absurdly insufficient National legislators seem to be incapable of understanding that the commerce of a country does not consist of one or even twenty lines of steamers, however important these may be but of ships and steamers to the number of thousands owned by private individuals who run them on any voyage and to any port where the promise is given of a remunerative charter These are the vessels to be found scattered over every known sea that constitute the merchant marine of Great Britain; and it is this miscellaneous shipping interest that gives to her her admitted commercial supremacy, and not her subsidized steam lines, like those to South America and to India Perhaps this view of the subject can be better demonstrated by taking the case of France That country has at least three important subsidized steam lines One to this country, one to the West Indies and Central America, and one to India, China and Japan Now, while these lines may be of some use in keeping in French hands freight-money that might otherwise go into the pockets of English ship-owners they wholly fail of making France a maritime power In fact they deter, rather than aid her commercial development, for they lead her merchants to think that they are powerless unless they receive aid from the national treasury. In a word, private enterprise is prevented and hence France after more than a dozen years of this system, is less of a maritime country in the broad sense of the term than she was before this plan was put into operation

Bearing this experiment in mind we wish it were possible to impress upon the authorities in Washington the necessity of adopting, some other course of procedure if they wish to attain a permanent and satisfactory result Our commerce is in a depressed and declining condition, not because we do not subsidize steam lines, but because the laws of the land bear so hardly upon ship-builders and owners that they cannot compete on equal terms with their rivals in Great Britain If these were modified in such a manner that the materials which enter into the construction of a ship could be supplied to her builder without the restrictions which the protective tariff now puts upon them or better still, if the registration law which prevents the purchase of foreign vessels was repealed, and then, if the navigation laws which now enforce a series of unjust taxes on ship-owners, were amended, the entire interest would instantly feel the invigorating effects of freedom, and our ship merchants would not need bonuses and subsidies to enable them to recover their lost position To attempt to remedy our present troubles by means of subsidies is very much like providing a carriage for the conveyance of a man whose feet have been securely tied up What our ship merchants need is that freedom of action which will allow them to work out their own recovery We admit that this method of cure is not an easy one to follow, but for while any one can administer palliatives such as the granting of mail subsidies would be, it requires care and a thorough knowledge of the subject such as few of our public men possess to treat the real cause of complaint in an intelligent manner

A FEW MORE PLAIN WORDS

Two weeks ago, when it was announced that H W Scott, a member of the national republican committee from Oregon was about to start east to attend a meeting of that committee some scribbler who had not the manliness to make himself known through the columns of a sheet with no more character than his own, made an attack on Mr Scott, totally unprovoked and uncalled for The attack was repelled in the columns of THE OREGONIAN in the only manner in which such servile slanderers can be successfully answered A whole fortnight has elapsed and Mr. Scott is thousands of miles away but the villifier has not yet sufficiently recovered from his severe castigation to again set about his dirty work The custom house officers puny organ however at such a safe distance feebly renews the attack in its issue yesterday and yelps a repetition of the villification attempted anonymously when the object of it was in the state. It is not our purpose to attempt any defense of Mr Scott in his absence His traducers know full well that he is abundantly able to take care of himself and that he asks no quarter from those who will persist in the attempt to keep up any feuds in the republican party for the revival of which there seems now to be no occasion whatever He perhaps does rest as much as any other republican on the state the success of the party upon the principles of loyalty to the union obedience to law and equal rights to all upon which that party was founded and which has endeared it to the hearts of the people But he and there are thousands of other republicans in Oregon of the same mind does not regard it as conducive to that success to make it a personal party question in its true sense and as defined by the platforms of the national conventions for the past quarter of a century does not mean adhesion to any man or set of men and if there are those in the state who are disposed to make that sort of a course the test of republicanism they have the freedom to follow the bent of their own servile disposition but THE OREGONIAN is willing to admit that it has never chosen that road nor will it take it hereafter It is the purpose of those who control a columns to secure them for the dissemination of news and correct opinions, but it cannot be restrained from speaking the truth about the acts even of the republican party of those in control of organizations when public interests require It has no old grudges to keep up it desires to promote harmony among the republicans of the state it has no candidates for office it believes in the justice and permanency of the principles which underlie the republican party and will advocate those principles as against its controlled by its present managers

But if there are those who will not allow past differences in the party to keep but we persist in making ourselves to abuse those who may not have been disposed to follow their lead implicitly THE OREGONIAN will not retract any of its claim to independence nor seek by any subterfuge to avoid the collision which others may seek so unwisely to bring about It certainly can endure the attack as well as those who may be so anxious to run against it It does rest to reward human with office because he is a friend, and if it has enemies through envy or other reasons it does not seek to inflict any punishment upon them It makes not now nor will it make hereafter any attack upon any man because he may have differed with it in political matters but if any one deems that his duty as a republican or otherwise impels him to a course of warfare with this paper he can have the attention which the importance of his attack deserves Only that and nothing more There are no apologies to make on this side of the house as we ask none from others

WHAT THE PYRAMIDS WERE BUILT FOR

Prof Proctor who has been lecturing to delighted audiences in the east thinks that the pyramids were built for astronomical purposes As he says the theories which these venerable monuments have had thrust upon them range from the boy's idea that they were built for coasting and the notion no less absurd that they were erected by divine direction Of course, any one who chooses to disagree with the lecturer may say that he looks at the pyramids through his own astronomical spectacles as most men look at things through some peculiar glass of their own natures or own occupations and that an astronomer would not fail to see in these relics some indications that they were built by astronomers But in view of the refutation by actual investigation of successive hypotheses, we may accept Prof Proctor's interpretation of their use as to a great extent reliable

The great pyramids for example that of Cheops stands on the 30th parallel the only one in Egypt from which the north star is seen at 30 degrees from the horizon or one third of the way to the zenith i e one third of a right angle and from which the sun at the spring equinox, appears at two thirds of the distance A perfect level was got by pouring water into the place cut for the foundation, and making it the same depth in every part Other details of the operations secured lines directly north and south, east and west. The professor places little faith in the singular coincidences of measurement, even when they corroborate his own views as almost any structure will give similar coincidences He believes that the heavens were observed not only from the top, but from the bottom of the shaft as well, and his places the construction of the great pyramid at about 3370 B C. One noteworthy theory of the details of construction is that the gallery which is said to figure the Christian dispensation as 1882 inches long, indicating that the world will end in 1882

THE THREATENED DIVISION

That everlasting theme of national finances has during the short time congress has been in session, received a vast amount of attention In fact it has only divided the time with the Ute removal resolutions and routine work Every financial schemer in either branch of congress is endeavoring to saddle his pet measure upon the vast number of statutes now in force. Several very vital resolutions and bills have been introduced the chief among which is to take away the legal tender quality of greenbacks, or in other words mete them no more than the bank notes of private banking establishments before the passage of the national banking system As a matter of course the western representations, whose constituencies are large debtors to be cent oppose anything that will have a tendency toward contracting the debt paying qualities of any circulating medium The east, to make assurance doubly sure in the resumption of specie payment seek to have this become a law The republican party was at the opening threatened with a division on this question but with prompt action have resolved not to any further modify the financial laws at the present session The democrats on the other hand, are divided, Senator Bayard who represents the east on this quest on, having introduced a resolution to take away the legal tender quality of the greenback and the southern members of the party say they have nothing to hope for from the west, and that all the capital that the south needs for development is in the east and, taking this view of affairs will sustain Bayard's resolution However, it is not probable that any measure will be passed as the republicans, with the assistance of the western democrats will defeat any measure introduced and thus shift a threatened division on their opponents

The Ute resolution which passed the senate on Thursday provides that the Utes shall be removed from Colorado with a provision that they shall not be removed to Indian territory, and appropriates $10 000 for the expenses of the commission which is to negotiate for this removal This is the substance of the resolution as reported by our dispatches It is a matter of importance to residents on the North Pacific coast where they intend to locate this dissagreeable neighbors The provision that they shall not be taken to Indian territory foreshadows in significance that they certainly will not be colonized in any of the territories east of the Rocky mountains and when we come west the only available territory seems to be either in Washington or Idaho as Utah is too near their present home and Arizona is unfavorable on account of the hostile and warlike tribes already within her borders The conclusion is forced that we may yet have these pets for neighbors In view of their present situation west of the Rocky mountains in a barren country between two civilized ones and the further consideration of their numbers it seems like a piece of injustice and cruelty to place them in localities already cursed with the presence of thieves and cut-throats to be seen what will be done with them but we hope fully and reverently suggest that they turn Boston Common into a reservation and locate between Joshua Evans and other

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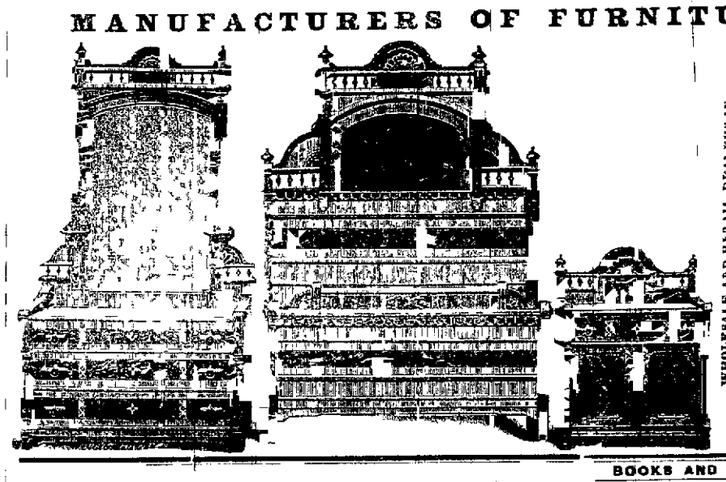

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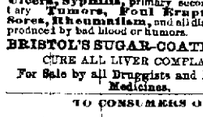

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AGENTS WANTED—TWO GOOD AGENTS in the city on new and elegant subscription ... also several new standard books, and agents wanted in every county in the State for the most popular work of the times. Apply or address WITHEWELL 181 Front St. Portland.

CASCADES LIQUORS.

GOOD STEADY LABORERS WANTED. Cascades Locks also teams Steady work winter For reduced transportation apply at Charles Hotel, between 5 and 6 P M. ... dl6tf G P KEINER

TO LET.

DWELLING FOR RENT.

AN ELEGANT LARGE, NEW DWELLING ... unused in the northern part of the city, on a fine ... Address P O Box ...

TO RENT CHEAP—NICELY FURNISHED ... in first class ... Apply at ... street, corner West Park.

TO LET—COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ... to let at No 81 Fourth street ...

TO LEASE.

A NEW, COMMODIOUS AND ... natured house in ... convenience. Apply at ... Twelfth street.

FOR SALE.

A FINE BUILDING ... sale, will be sold ... LACE, office of ... street.

FOR SALE.

A RARE CHANCE TO PURCHASE ... sale cheap, being 100 ... feet on Front street, with ... ing for nearly $100 per month ... vacant for building, which ... for $100 per month more. ... ble terms. Inquire of N. HASTIE ... and Columbia streets.

FOR SALE.

ONE DOUBLE CIRCULAR SAW ... mill, Iron Top and Frame, ... Gowen's patent head blocks and ... ity from six to ten thousand ... ceived from the factory, will be ... one 30 inch and 40-inch Eclipse ... water wheel Address ... d8dlf No 4 North Front Street

FOR SALE.

A RARE CHANCE TO INVEST ... paying business. The entire ... mits and everything pertaining ... sale on account of departure from ... at MISS CRAN'S TOILET ... business need apply

TO CAPITALISTS.

FOR SALE.—A DENTAL ORGAN ... Other articles belonging to ... the same with the good will of ... fished in a town of five thousand ... rare opportunity for a dentist ... For particulars, inquire of ... Portland Oregon

FOR SALE.

480 ACRES OF DAIRY LAND ... and cultivation ... on the Columbia river ... everything complete for the dairy ... place. Will sell the stock with ... at 120 Third street.

FOR SALE.

ALL THE LOTS IN BLOCK ... addition to Portland ... $250 to $400. Payment may be ... a splendid view of the river ... the east half of the block. ... WOOD Milwaukie

FOR SALE.

BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS ... land Academy and Female ... 205 is offered for sale in whole or ... 2 at $8500, 3 and 4 at $4000 each ... at $4000, or the whole offered at ... third cash down the remainder ... years if desired. Interest at 10 per ... quarterly. ... Proposals for the old Academy ... will be sold cheap will be received ... and sealed, suitable for any ... be disposed of at very low prices. ... A. C. GIBBS Secretary.

FOR SALE.

50 ACRES IMPROVED LAND, ... northeast of Portland For ... at 120 Third street.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

BARBER-SHOP.

A. FERGUSON WOULD INFORM HIS ... of his Hair Dressing Saloon, ... his temporary connection with the ... of A Staender terminates on the ... his patrons who kindly favored him ... allow no one but himself to wait ... will be re-established in his old ... weeks.

FOUND.

THE EXPRESSMAN WHO LOST A ... Flour can have same by proving ... paying for this notice.

MR. BIRD HENSLEY, SUPPOSED ... Eastern Oregon will hear of something ... advantage by sending his position ... headquarters asking for an ... spouse Officer Luther went down ... Smith to the city jail where ...

OPERATION PERFORMED.—A ... operation was performed on ... named Davis yesterday at the ... by Dr Frazer assisted by a number ... physicians connected with the ... portion of the fifth rib was removed ... had been affected for some years ... The operation was performed in a ... ful manner Mr Davis is aged ... years.

CHANGED HER NAME.—The ... Napier which arrived here ... on her first passage to this port ... the name of James Nicoll Fleming ... named for one of the directors ... of Glasgow which was crushed ... aged and ... ed so disastrously ... Fleming when the crash ... in a boat and has never been ...

FIREMEN'S ELECTION.—At the annual election of General Alleman No 3 Van ... over recently held ... ing pers ... were elected to ... ensuing ... J J Maloney for ... Hutchcock ... assistant and ... Robert ... ... last assistant ... president ... McMullen treasurer ...

FOREIGN BIRTH DAY.—The dedication of Congress ... all church in ... Holladay's ... action will occur ... Prof Cook and his choir from ... gregations ... church will attend ... be sung ... Rev E P Baker ... Blabon and ... Dean will assist

A JOURNAL.—A copy of ... Journal published at Richmond, ... date of December 1st has been ... table The paper contains quite ... nunication from Mr John Lang ... bearing date of Nov 3d giving ... the co ... the Ancient Order ... mans in his state ...

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

The Daily O...

SATURDAY MORNING ...

WEATHER PROB...

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE ... WASHINGTON Dec 13.—12 ... coast, generally clear ... Rain ... California.

CITY ...

DEATH FROM LEECHES.—... Mr Smith who is well ... bottle containing a number ... leeches, with which to close ... be a sort of leech They ... dispatch have been declared ... from the liver of an Angora ... some time ago Mr Alex ... southern Oregon in the ... of these valuable goats ... pasture cause He also lost ... blooded sheep in the same ... tention of Mr Smith was ... cumstance who held a post ... a great number of leeches ... of the dead animal The ... that the animals drank ... habitat by these leeches ... the form of animalcules, ... received into the stomach ... into the blood and became ... liver grew to a large size ... can the death of the goats ... counted for Mr Smith ... the purpose of consulting ... medical men here to ascertain ... could be suggested

THE OLYMPIC CLUB.—By ... of the officers an ORGONIAN ... the rooms of the Olympic ... New Market theater building ... The club is composed of a number ... gentlemen who have organized ... ose of physical improvement ... Rennemeister the instructor ... athlete and has also the rare ... ling others to become proficient ... exercises The performances ... bers on the trapeza, horizontal ... bars and rings, and with ... dumb bells, were quite ... of the acts would have been ... to professionals The room ... furnished with all modern ... club meets every Tuesday ... ing and all lovers of athletic ... ited to join them During the rainy ... boating, cricket base-ball and ... sports are barred, a gymnasium ... the Olympic club is a boon ... no small assistance toward ... culture.

HONORABLE MENTION.—From ... it is learned that the following ... first and second divisions ... St. Michael college, deserve ... larly in their exercises at ... month viz arithmetic, composition ... Hiram Saiffon, 256, Frank ... Edward Cabellin, 93, John ... Gately, 45, Bernard Gladfelter ... ions 32 Daniel Malarkey, 1 ... nor 14 John Maher, 14 ... The following students of ... and divisions of the second ... credit for their exercises ... Thomas 39 Alfred E. Kern ... Ryan 24 Charles Reynolds ... Cornelius 10, John Shea, 8 ... 17 Wm Raupsch, 13; Thos. ...

"SHE WASN'T IN."—A ... by no means obscure in ... yesterday at one of the ... with characteristic ... the polite clerk with ... to Miss ——'s room. ... down and ... the return of the ... came down the ... and the office remarked in a voice ... reach all who were sitting ... face was illuminated with ... "Please Mr —— Miss ... that she was not in."

PECULIAR ACCIDENT.—A ... Presley George, an old ... years, father of Hon. M. C. ... Portland met with a ... very severe accident. For a ... Mr George has suffered much ... tism While sitting in his ... experienced a sharp twinge ... ady The pain caused him ... fell upon the floor striking on the hip which ... been fractured and injuring ... seriously His present ... critical

MERCHANTS EXCHANGE.—... Exchange Association, having ... business established by J. R. ... association is now prepared to ... Pacific coast ... mercantile community of Oregon ... on the latest and most reliable ... tations from all the leading ... of the world. It is proposed ... tations to stockholders at a ... stockholders paying as here ... ments can be effected ... information if desired.

WELL DIRECTED CHARITY.—... Aid society of this city ... the widow and children of ... jeweler who died suddenly last ... ing They have rented a ... Holladay made her ... her in a position that she ... hood This society ... as the wants of the ... worthy officers merit the ... upon them by those whose ... served

PROGRESS TOWARD THE ... tons of iron for the westside ... arrived on the *Elvira McNeil*, ... the front Thursday, ninety ... warded yesterday, and a ... out every day until the entire ... posed of Unless the laborers ... interrupted by very heavy rains, ... be laid at the rate of one mile ... ten miles remain to be finished ... rails will have been reached.

THE POULTRY FAIR.—This ... continued during to-day and ... o'clock to night. Those who ... seen the exhibition even if they ... greatly interested in poultry ... certainly be repaid for a visit ...

The Daily Oregonian.
SATURDAY MORNING, DEC 13 1879

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN

WASHINGTON Dec 13—12 30 A M—For Pacific coast generally clear except cloudy weather and rain south of California

CITY

DEATH FROM LEECHES—A few days ago Mr Smith who is well known in sporting circles in Oregon as a veterinary surgeon arrived in Portland Mr Smith brought with him a bottle containing a number of living creatures which on close examination proved to be sheep leech These leeches for which he have been deposited to be kept taken from the liver of one of a goat which died some time ago Mr Alexander residing on the southern Oregon is the owner of about 400 of these valuable goats Recently a number of them sickened and died with all the symptoms of the fatal rot He also lost several valuable blooded sheep in the same manner During the session of Mr Smith was called to examine the carcass of one who had a goat more and found a great number of leeches infesting the liver of the dead animal The theory advanced is that the animals drank water which was polluted by these leeches while they were in the form of animalcules that after being received into the stomach they found their way into the blood and becoming attached to the liver grew to a large size On no other theory can the death of the goats and sheep be accounted for Mr Smith came to Portland for the purpose of consulting with some of the medical men here to ascertain if any remedy could be suggested

THE OLYMPIC CLUB—By invitation of one of the officers, an OREGONIAN reporter was treated to a view of the Olympic Athletic club in the Masonic Temple building last evening The club is composed of a number of young gentlemen who have organized for the purpose of physical improvement Mr Charles Hoffmeister the instructor is an accomplished athlete, and has also the rare faculty of teaching others to become proficient in gymnastic exercises The performances by the members on the trapeze, horizontal bar parallel bars, rings, and with Indian clubs and Indian balls, were up to interesting, and evidenced that the members would have been creditable even to professionals The rooms are large, and are furnished with all modern trappings The club meets every Tuesday and Friday evening, and all lovers of athletics are invited to call there During the rainy season, when outdoor exercises base-ball and other out-door games are barred, a gymnasium like that of the Olympic club is a boon for athletes, and will be a great assistance toward perfect physical culture

PERSONAL MENTION—From the *Archangel* it is learned that the following pupils of the second divisions of the first class, in musical college, deserve credit for regularity in their exercises at home during the month arithmetic composition, algebra Miss Atkinson, 95, Frank Washburn, 1½ Miss Cabellin, 9½, John Sheahan, 9½, John Sullivan, 9, Bernard Kindred, 23, Percy Colbert, 2, Daniel Malarkey, 1½, Chas. O Connell, 1, John Misher, 1½, Bruce L Carr, 1½ The following students of the first and second divisions of the second class deserve credit for their exercises at home, Jacob Kamm, Alfred E Eastabrooks, 23, Geo W Charles Ferrenati, 22, Joseph McCarthy, 19, John Sirey, 26, Edward Unrath, 25, Joseph, 11, Thos Murphy, 10

WASN'T IN.'—A young gentleman whose name is obscure in social circles called yesterday at one of the leading hotels, and with characteristic dignity handed his card to the clerk with instructions to send it to Mr ——'s room. The young man appeared somewhat considerably anxiety during the half hour, and shuffling into the office in a voice loud enough to be heard by those sitting around, while his countenance illuminated with a broad grin, "Mr. ——, Miss —— told me to say she was not in."

SERIOUS ACCIDENT—A few days ago Mr. Jas. Savage, an old gentleman aged 82 years, father of Hon. M. C George, of East Portland, met with a somewhat peculiar and serious accident For a number of years he has suffered much from rheumatism While sitting in his chair he suddenly heard a sharp twitching of the old man's muscles, and tried to start to his feet, but found himself unable to do so on account of his left hip which had formerly been fractured and injuring the bone very much. His present condition is quite serious.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE—The Merchants' Exchange Association, having purchased the property established by J. R. Farish, this association is now prepared to furnish the merchant community of Oregon and Washington Territory with the most and most reliable market quotations of all the leading business centers of the world. It is proposed to furnish quotations to stockholders at half-rates, non-stockholders paying a handsome price. Arrangements can be effected for special telegraphic information, if desired.

REV. DIEDERICH CRAMER.—The German Methodist church of this city has kindly cared for the wife and children of J. Hoffarber, the gentleman who had suddenly last Sunday evening, and who rented a home for Mrs. Hoffarber, made her comfortable and placed her in a position that she can earn a livelihood. The society has done much to alleviate the wants of the German poor, and the members merit the blessings bestowed upon them by those whom they have relieved.

PREPARING TOWARD THE FINISH—Seventy-seven men for the westside extension, which will reach the Elsie McNeil, were taken to Banks last Thursday, ninety tons were forwarded yesterday, and a train will be sent to-day and the entire cargo is to be delivered by Monday night. Unless the laborers should be stopped by very heavy rains, the track will be laid at the rate of one mile per day Seven miles remain to be finished before Corbett's line will have been reached

THE MECHANICS' FAIR—This exhibit will be closed during to-day and will close at ten o'clock to-night. Those who have not yet visited the exhibition, even if they are not directly interested in poultry raising, will certainly find much to repaid for a visit. The pets will be enjoyed by ladies and children who are admitted free. The gentleman in charge desires to say, for having inaugurated so successful a show, and for their efforts to in the visitors.

HE WAS DRUNK—"A party of the name of Smith got drunk yesterday It was supposed that he was sick, and under the impression he was conveyed to St Vincent's Hospital On arriving there he roused from his slumber and made things so lively that the officer in charge telephoned to the police headquarters asking for an officer to relieve Officer Luther went down and escorted the fun ony jail where he is now

OPERATIONS PERFORMED—A very difficult operation was performed on an old man named Hall yesterday at the medical college on Flanders, assisted by a number of other physicians connected with the institution. A portion of the fifth rib was removed which had been affected for some years with *necrosis*, the operation was performed in a very skillful manner Mr Davis is aged about eighty years.

CHINESE HER NAME—The British ship *Nicoll*, which arrived here early this week has the best passage to this port formerly bore the name of *James Nicoll Fleming* She was built for one of the directors of the bank of Glasgow, which was criminally mismanaged, and has failed so disastrously about a year ago Fleming when the crash came escaped to Scotland and has never been apprehended

PIONEER'S ELECTION—At the regular annual election of General Allen Engine Co No 3, Vancouver recently held the following persons were elected to serve for the ensuing year P J Maloney foreman, Wm Kosebeck, first assistant and secretary Robert Rooney, second assistant Geo Brandt treasurer John McMullen steward

FOUNDERS' DAY—The dedication of the Congregational church in East Portland takes a addition will occur Dec. 21st The choir from the First Congregational church will attend and contribute the singing Rev L. P Baker of San Francisco will preach the sermon Rev Messrs Eaton and Cruzan will assist

A. O. H JOURNAL—A copy of the A O H Journal, published at Richmond Va, bearing date of December 1st, has been placed on our table. The paper contains quite a long communication from Mr John Long of this city bearing date of Nov 2d giving an account of the organization of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in this state.

THE ENTERTAINMENT Miss Sarah Tuthill will give an entertainment at New Market next Monday evening Among those who will appear may be mentioned Prof Kinney Mrs Cozan Prof Vinton and Miss Others A splendid programme will be rendered

O I MEETS—The Open Temperance meeting which will be held this (Saturday) evening at the Y M C A Rooms gives promise of being a very profitable affair The following gentlemen will be present to address the meeting this evening Rev Dr Atkinson Rev Dr Hill Rev Dr Hines Rev Mr Eaton Rev Mr Cruzan Rev Mr Capper Dr Davis the evening there will be short speeches readings recitations and singing.

LOST LETTERS—The following letters remain uncalled for at the Post Office Berg & Co Mrs Wm Gordon Mrs E T Delay Prof C I Hall J Hass Jacob Johnson John Jas Hicks Jas McPherson and James McCowan J C Stevenson D J South Wilson M Hart

NEW PONTOONS—Work will be commenced this afternoon on placing in position the new pontoons for the O & C ferry landing at the foot of Taylor street The pontoon on the east side will also be changed It is expected that the work will be finished by Sunday evening.

ARRIVED—The steamer *State of California* arrived at San Francisco at 10 A M yesterday The steamer left Astoria on the 10th at 2 P M She made the passage from Portland to San Francisco in fifty-two hours Had light head winds with thick fog

HELD TO ANSWER—A young man named William Childs charged with the larceny of $40 from a dwelling had a preliminary examination yesterday before Justice Stearns Childs was held to answer the action of the grand jury in the sum of $500

FROM ASTORIA—The following dispatch was received from Astoria yesterday forenoon The steamer *Cahy mas* arrived down at 9 A M and left for sea at 10 A M The British bark *Drdem* dropped down to anchorage off Fort Stevens

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Don t fail to go and see the poultry show
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This is December weather, and don't you forget it.
The *Elder* will sail hence next Monday morning
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Interesting exercises were held yesterday at the public schools.
Ten cents will purchase a copy of THE WEEKLY OREGONIAN
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The usual runaway to chronicle for yesterday It was a wood wagon this time.
Bethel Home lodge of Good Templars meet on Monday evening in Bethel Hall at 7 30
The *Willamette Chief* came down the river yesterday, having on board 29 tons of wheat
About the 24th inst there will be many an American turkey who will wish that he was Turkey in Asia
Big six days' walking match go as you please, will commence at the Mechanics' Pavilion on the 25th inst
It is said that a French lady with a scalded arm inaugurated those long gloves which it takes a fellow so long to button for his wife
The winsome girl in the wonderful booth
Of the whizzing church fair,
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VAN BEURDEN'S JEWELRY ESTABLISHMENT.

Among the many business houses of this land which have come into rank in their respective lines and have taken place side by side with houses of older growth may be mentioned the jewelry establishment of J Van Beurden Its services in behalf of the city and state at the late exposition are remembered and appreciated by a donation, just received, of a small piano, which will adorn the entertaining room, gentlemen's reading room of this establishment The piano is a rosewood case, seven octaves, and has proved a highly satisfactory instrument to the visitors and patrons of the rooms Mr Van Beurden proposes selling them to the public at wholesale prices thus giving the people of Oregon an opportunity never before offered and one which will probably never occur again It seems gentlemen that in these days of close competition the merchant who can offer the greatest inducements to purchasers is the one who will receive the most patronage Van Beurden proposes selling them to the public at wholesale prices thus giving the people of Oregon an opportunity never before offered and one which will probably never occur again It seems gentlemen that in these days of close competition the merchant who can offer the greatest inducements to purchasers is the one who will receive the most patronage

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Every one who has examined the stock of J K Gill & Co pronounce it the best display ever made by this firm If the magnitude and variety of their stock were a criterion Portland should certainly be a city of 70 000 inhabitants In all the various lines of goods represented by them their buy to the best advantage who patronize J K Gill & Co

Olds & King at No 147 Third street, will open this morning from New York direct, a splendid stock of silk handkerchiefs in a great variety of styles colors and prices, embroidered linen handkerchiefs, ribbons in endless variety ladies and misses kid gloves, gentlemen's kid and cloth gloves ties etc silk and alpaca umbrellas of all sizes, Ladies, do not fail to give them a call

No dealers in the city have come more permanently and rapidly to the front that John Oran & Co They have just opened one of the most extensive and finest stocks of goods for the ladies ever shown in Portland, for in their stock of gentlemen's wear second to any in the city. For housekeepers, also they offer some rare and beautiful goods of novel design and make We refer the reader to their new advertisement elsewhere where will be found a partial mention of their varied and splendid stock especially to the holidays

UP THE COLUMBIA.

Dispatches from up the Columbia last evening indicate the following state of weather

Hood River—Raining heavy Chinook blowing, thermometer, 48°

Scott s—Cloudy, thermometer, 46° light Chinook

Umatilla—Cloudy, thermometer, 42° light up-stream wind

Celilo—Cloudy, thermometer, 45°.

Cascades—Raining, Chinook wind thermometer, 36°

Dalles—Cloudy thermometer, 50° river rose 3 inches

Wallula—Cloudy thermometer, 40° river standing, strong up stream Chinook wind

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

AT CHARLES

A Whitlock, Salem — John Wall Salem
G T Evans — W J Rowland
A B Meldin Albany — F Parker Williams
Mrs P Townsend, Weston — C V Lane, Salem
J Bridges Salem — J Chenoweth Oak and
T N Blake, Salem — T M Scott & w Tenmon
M Baumeister Walla Walla — Frank Frazer city
G W Woodsam Amity — A Marke Roseburg
Capt J G Hustler & w, Astoria — J H Thompson Rickreall
torla — E D Rickey, Roseburg

AT CLARENDON

W S Kinney Salem — J H McQuaid C & C R R
F Mardin city — Chas A Gould Amity
Chas Johnson Amity — J M Bailey Independence
Miss Bowlby Astoria — Mrs S Brown Gervais
Miss S Bowlby, Forest Grove — Miss M Brown Forest Grove
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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

DEEDS

Harriet Kelly and husband W J Kelly to Levi Anderson 9 Dec 1879 1 acre near Peter McQuade s tract county $120

Erastus S Joslyn and wife to E P Cardwell 3 Oct 1862 110 acres in NW ¼ sec 18, T 1 S R 1 E—$1000

State of Oregon to Van B DeLashmutt 9 Dec 1879, E 50 feet lot 8 and N 20 feet of E 20 feet lot 7 blk 167 and lot 8 blk 127 all in city—$1000

Van B DeLashmutt et ux to Richard Williams 11 Dec 1879, und ½ of E 50 feet lot 8 and N 20 feet of E 20 feet lot 7 blk 16 city—$200

RELEASE

Wm Gold and Robert Connell to A B and Edward Hallock mortgage dated 4 October 1877, on NW ¼ lot 3 blk 18 city—$600

METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

Signal service United States army Division of telegrams and reports for the benefit of commerce and agriculture Report for the last 24 hours

PORTLAND Dec 12 7 57 P M

Place of Observation	Height above sea level	Change in last 3 hours	Ther	Wind Direction	Wind Velocity last 3 hours	Rain fall in inches	State of weather
Portland	30	06	41	SE	12	00	Cloudy
Olympia	30 08	10	46	S	8	00	Fog
Roseburg	30 34	08	47	E	6	00	Rain
Red Bluff	30 34	05	54	N	6	00	Clear
Sacramento	30 22	02	45	S	4	00	Clear

J K Gill & Co sell a pretty autograph album for 15 cents

Morgen Abend Theater-Vorstellung in der Turn-Halle.

Note the new goods offered by B L Stone the jeweler

French China tete-a-tete sets at Belcher & Co's Just the thing for a present

Ladies call at the new store opp P O for French candies and holiday goods

Ladies buy your embroidery silk at the Singer Machine office 186 First street.

For the Kidney and Bladder Damiana Bitters Heckenstein & Mayer are sole agents

Dr. Lyon's Tooth Tablet
Produces the most gratifying results.

Elegant masquerade suits for rent or trade at Mrs Hughes 165 First street near Morrison

Sewing machines made new at Barbey s, 32 Yamhill St All kinds needles

For first class ferrotypes and gem pictures go to the new gallery opposite Ladd & Tilton s Taken rain or shine

WANTED — Second hand furniture and stoves for which the highest price will be paid Address lock box 844

Having satisfied hundreds of new customers that his photo work pleases them Davidson will resume his old prices on New Years day Until then cards $2 20 and cabinets $4.

Decker & Son Pianos with the latest improvements are now acknowledged to be the best Pianos manufactured in the United States H Smisheimer 129 1st st sole agents

WM SCHEFFLER'S ST. HELENA
SANITARY VACUUM DISTILLED GRAPE BRANDY AND GOLD OLD EDGE MILL WINES

Mr Scheffler is sole proprietor of the grounds upon which are the vacuum process of distilling by which the fusil oils are left with the residue and not the aroma—I with the brandy leaving it pure and free from all deleterious substances which does and must exist in all alcoholic liquors distilled by the usual process of boiling heat *California Hop Bitters* are placed on United States preference of all their Doctor Fox government revenue officer at Cedar Rapids Ohio says in his report after 20 years of close investigation he can safely say that very few if any pure wines or brandy are exported from the Old Continent to this He has found more in his many analyses—that all are doctored before receiving France the French Government itself Bureau gives notice home to his government that so much complaint is made there of the appearance of a large and thriving genius drugs in all their French wines that there is great danger of losing the trade of the Argentine States Other proofs could be cited were it necessary to prove the superiority of the best class of California wines and brandy Orders from responsible parties addressed to Wm Scheffler or Geo H Beach St Helena, Napa county Cal, will receive prompt attention

Don't throw your money away! but go to BARTSCH'S MUSIC STORE, 148 First St., for PIANOS ORGANS SHEET-MUSIC, BOOKS and GENERAL MUSICAL MERCHANDISE. This is no Joke.

SPECIAL CHURCH NOTICES

Services in Plymouth church North Portland corner Lombard and Hall at 7 P M

Rev G H Atkinson will preach in the Congregational Church Astoria, on Sabbath the 14th morning and evening.

Shipboard services will be held on board the *Clarence* Capt Nesbit Pacific wharf foot of salmon street at P M to-morrow

Regular Sabbath services will be held in the schoolhouse McMinnville to-morrow at 11 A M and 7 30 P M C Wilkinson is expected will preside

Presbyterian church—Services to-morrow morning and evening conducted by the pastor Dr Lindsley Usher Lewis assistance to conduct visitors cordially welcome

Baptist church—Services at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Sabbath school at 9 30 A M Rev Dr Lindsley will preach in the morning and Rev Dr Atkinson in the evening Seats free and visitors cordially welcome

Methodist church corner First and Madison streets Rev Dr Hines pastor Sabbath school at 9 30 A M Preaching at 11 A M and 7 30 P M Love feast following the morning service

Unitarian church corner Yamhill and Seventh streets Rev Thomas Eliot minister Services at 11 and 7 30 o clock Seats free Subject in the evening The Divine Influence Subject in the morning Sabbath school at 12 M

Congregational church, corner of Second and Jefferson streets J A Cruzan pastor Services at the usual hours In the evening the last of the present series on The Aims of the Great Sins of To Day subject In Sabbath school Seats free

Taylor street M E Church—Preaching morning and evening by the pastor Sabbath school at 2 30 praise service at 6 30 Young men s prayer meeting Tuesday evening at 7 30 Regular prayer meeting Thursday evening Strangers cordially invited

Evangelical church corner of English and Clay streets—H W Axtheim pastor will preach to-morrow morning in German at 10 30 o clock and 7 P M Sunday school at 9 30 A M Services at Milwaukie 2 30 P M Thursday, Dec 18th at Cedarmill 2 P M A cordial invitation to all

St Stephen s Chapel—Divine service will be held to-morrow in St Stephen s chapel at 11 o clock when the annual sermon in behalf of the domestic missions of the church will be preached At 3 30 there will be choral service, and at 7 o clock there will be evening service at St Matthew s mission chapel corner of First and Caruthers street Rev John Rosenberg officiating.

THE COURTS

PORTLAND, Dec 12 1879

U S CIRCUIT COURT—DEADY, J

U S vs Thos G Young—Cause set for trial without a jury on Friday December 19 1879 on motion of plaintiff

Tong Buck Chung vs John Kelly—Motion for a new trial allowed in accordance with stipulation filed and cause set for trial on Monday, January 12, 1880

Court adjourned until Monday December 15 1879 at 10 A M

COUNTY COURT—RICE J

PROBATE.

In the matter of the estate of A Boison deceased—A P DeLin appointed administrator of said estate

In the matter of the guardianship of C H Von Boistel, an insane person—It is ordered that guardian be discharged and bond cancelled

POLICE COURT—STEARNS, J

Larceny in a dwelling—Billy Childs, held to answer

Disorderly conduct—Charles Lewis $5

Visiting opium house—James Riley and Nellie Hay, each $5

Defacing building—Michael Mooney $50

Obstructing streets—Peter Man and A Hiero, continued

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The Daily Oregonian.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 13, 1879.

THE NORTHWEST.

The Willamette Valley.

Murphys are prevalent at Dallas.

Lane county proposes to hold a fair next year.

The minerals of Turner propose to have a hunting match.

Considerable damage is reported along the Willamette river from the recent rise.

There will be a purse of $40 offered at the coming state fair to the base ball clubs

There is about 80,000 bushels of wheat stored at the granger's warehouse in Salem.

The Salem Touring mails were obliged to suspend operations this week on account of high water.

W. A. McPherson, former state printer and resident of Albany, has become a farmer in Josephine county.

The spring seeding in the vicinity of Buena Vista will be small, owing to the fact that so much of almost every farm is now in fall grain.

The grand jury of Polk county state that they visited the county jail and found it well kept, also that the books of the various county officers are properly kept.

Some burglarious ones broke into Dr. Powell's drug store at Lebanon last Sabbath morning, but the clerk wakened up in time to run him out before anything was stolen.

The following officers were elected at the last city election held in Lafayette: A. B. Baker, recorder; J. W. Dunn, marshal; T. J. Harris, treasurer; J. T. Hembree, W. D. Fenton and R. R. Bird, trustees.

Allen, Robinson & Co., of Albany, drove 7,000,000 feet of logs on the Calapooia creek during the recent rise. About 2,000,000 feet of the logs have already been sold to the Buena Vista and Independence mills.

M. Ed. Simnott, who came to Oregon in 1852, and after residing in Marion and Linn counties about ten years, went back to Kansas, has returned to Oregon. He has had enough of Kansas, and intends settling on a farm here.

Following are the newly elected officers of Harrisburg: Mayor, G. W. Isham; recorder, James Riley; treasurer, G. W. Brandenburg; marshal, Geo. Flemming; councilmen, M. W. Canter, J. P. Schooling, Sig Falk, W. F. Mendenhall, S. S. Train and Columbus Snodgrass.

Southern Oregon.

Simpson's mill at Gardner has again closed. Hinsdale's mill will saw the logs on hand.

Says the Coos Bay *Argus:* Three of four men, who came here to work on the bar improvement some time ago, are ready to leave for San Francisco on the next steamer. There will be no work done on the bar this winter. So we understand.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Steam tonnage in the United States has increased 9000 tons: canal boats, 15,000; barge tonnage, 32,000. Sailing tonnage has decreased 68,000. The tonnage of vessels built the past year was 42,000 less than the preceding year.

Secretary Sherman has taken pains to deny that he has expressed a preference for General Garfield, or for any one else, as senator from Ohio, saying he has the highest respect for all the gentlemen who have been named in that connection.

The Indianapolis *Sentinel*, a democratic organ, complains that money is becoming the touchstone of political success, that the man with a bar-l wedded to his cash, steps into office, while merit of the highest order, on account of indigency, is commanded to sit silent, and look on.

The Richmond *Dispatch* says that it has made a careful examination of the vote cast in Virginia at the late election for members of the legislature, and finds that the total for senate was 145,240, divided as follows: Debt-paying conservatives, 62,851; debt paying republicans, 8,410; total, 71,261; readjusting conservatives, 60,495; republicans, "not debt payers," 13,490; total, 73,985; readjusters' majority, 2,724.

New York *Tribune:* All the southern democratic congressmen who have arrived in Washington agree in ridiculing the idea of a Grant boom in their party in the south. This leaves that alleged movement in so friendless a condition that its enterprising inventors ought to hasten to its support. A boom bottomed solely upon a brilliant imagination starts well, but some more robust propelling power is necessary to keep it in motion.

A Philadelphia democrat goes for Mr. Speaker Randall without gloves. He charges Randall with being more responsible for the last extra session of congress than Thurman or any one of the confederate brigadiers—not excepting Jo Blackburn, who wanted to be speaker—and that Randall caused the appropriation bills to fail because he aspired to be re-elected to fill the chair. The writer contends that the extra session "raised the devil with the democratic party," and that Randall's selfish ambition made the session necessary.

The *Atlanta Constitution* prints a revival hymn much used in the colored churches of the south in times of high religious excitement. It is characteristic of that kind of literature, as the following sample will show:

Oh! what shall we go w'en the great day comes,
Wid de blowin' ur de trumpets an' de bangin' inv de drums!
How many po' sinners'll be catched out late.
An' fines no latch to de golden gate?
You better come now if you comin',
Old satan an' his legged son a hummin'.
De wheels of destruction is a humin'—
Oh! come along, sinner, if you comin'.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Financial.

FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 12.

Notwithstanding the steady but not in any degree, marked advance of wheat in Liverpool since Tuesday last, the market here is scarcely as strong as at the beginning of the week. Dealers are reluctant to pay more than $1 97½ although good round lots will bring $2. The latter figure, however, is more than wheat is actually worth in this port at the present rate of charters. Dealers 2c per ℔ are paying nearly one shilling per quarter more than the Liverpool market, even at the late advance, warrants. Our own telegram from Liverpool received to night indicates firmness and some activity at advanced rates. The prediction that any reasonable advance in England would be balanced by increased rates of freight has had one verification. The large wooden ship *Tecumseh*, which has been held considerably lower, is reported to have been chartered to day at 67s 6d.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Silver, 99½ buying; par selling.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Silver Bullion—1000 fine, per fine ounce, 1.4.

U. S. Bonds—6s, 45s, 5s, 4s, 3½. Closed—6s, 1 43s, 5s, 44; 3½.

London, Dec. 12.—Consols—97 1-16 money, and 97⅝ for the account.

U. S. Bonds—6s, 5s, 4½s, 4s; 3½.

LIVERPOOL GRAIN MARKET.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE OREGONIAN]

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.—A leading grain circular says: The grain trade exhibits further progressive improvement in provincial markets, both English and foreign wheat was taken readily at an improvement of a shilling per quarter. Cargoes in all positions show proportionate improvement at Liverpool. Since Thursday there was good business in wheat and maize on spot for consumption and speculation at a penny to two pence improvement on Tuesday's rates. To-day an advance of two pence on all descriptions of wheat as compared with Tuesday's rates may be quoted. Millers do not willingly concede an advance, but the fair business was done. Flour without request and six pence to a shilling per sack dearer. There was fair business done in corn at two pence advance.

Gold and Stock Company's Reports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.

Wheat—Rather unsettled, but holders are firm.

Barley—Steady, with fair demand.

Corn—Nominal at last quotations.

Flour—Dull.

Grain Bags—Firm at 10c cash and 10¼c for May and June.

Butter—Fresh roll, choice to extra choice, weak at 30@30c.

Eggs—California fresh choice, 38c; top price eastern good, 30c; irregular, 25c; fresh arrivals of Salt, 23@24c.

Hides—Dry, over 26 ℔s 21; kip and calf, 20; over salted, light to medium, 9; heavy, 10; kip, 9; calf, 9@11c.

Pelts—Short to long wool, 25c@$1 75.

Tallow—6c.

Receipts during the past twenty-four hours—2250 qr sks wheat, 50,000 ctls barley, 225 ctls oats, 1250 ctls potatoes, 11,000 doz eggs.

The British ship *River Leven* has been taken prior to arrival at £3 10s.

BOSTON WOOL MARKET.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.

Wool—Transactions comparatively small, but the tone of the market is buoyant; California is quotable at from 30@37c for fall and spring; nothing doing in foreign.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.

Bacon—Short ribs sides 5c 70.

Wheat—$1 31¾ per bushel paid for January.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11

Wheat—Irregular.

Flour—Firm.

Wool—Steady.

Beerbohm English Wheat Report.

LONDON, Dec. 10.

Floating cargoes improving. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, have met with inquiry. Good to prime cargoes of red winter wheat off coast per 480 lbs, less usual ½ per cent. commission, 36s 3d@37s. London quotations: good shipping Club or No. 1 spring wheat just shipped, or to be promptly shipped, 6 to 8 weeks' 37s 6d; same nearly due 36s 6d. London quotations for fair average No. 2 Chicago spring for shipment present and following month, 6 to 8 weeks' 36s 6d; same nearly due 35s 6d. Liverpool spot wheat strong. Liverpool quotations per cental, No. 1 standard, 12s 2d; No. 2 standard, 11s 9d; red winter, 11s 8d; white Michigan, 11s 9d. Port American spring, No. 2 to 3, 11 7-16 to 11 9-16. London quotations for American white state flour per 196 lbs, 25s. Liverpool quotations, same. Wheat on passage, 2,270,792 quarters.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.

Wheat—Weak, $1 97½ shipping.

Flour—Weak.

Oats—Feed $2 30@2 37½@3.

Potatoes—Sweet Chile 1½c now.

Onions—7c@9.

Grain Bags—Firm.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 12.

Wheat on spot, firm. No. 1 standard, 11s 10d; No. 2 standard, 11s 10d; red winter, 11s 9d; white Michigan, 11s 9d; red American spring, 11s 9d; white, 11s 10d.

Shipping Intelligence.

[SPECIAL TO MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Arrived—5th inst, ship of California, Portland.

Sailed—5th inst, ship City of Philadelphia, Cork; 6th, ship Yosemite, with Ann May, Hilyard, each for London; 9th, Bark Bay.

5th, M.—Weather cloudy, light west wind.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Cleared—5th, Albert L. Bunker, San Francisco.

Passed—Bark Thos. Bell, from Manila, Nov. 18, for San Francisco, encountered a typhoon and put back.

HONGKONG, previous to Nov. 29.—Arrived—4th, Belgic, San Francisco.

Sailed—Fourth, Octavia, Salted Bark Dedmont, San Francisco.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 11.—Arrived—Br sh Francis Thorpe, San Francisco.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Postoffice at Portland, Multnomah county, Oregon, Dec. 12, 1879. Persons calling for these letters must give the date on which they are advertised.

Ladies' List.

Adams, Nannie
Bryant, America
Bostwell, MrsCharrie
Bent, Mrs M
Calkins, Mrs Emma
Cary, Hattie E
Charlson, Mrs C E
Carlton, Mrs Nellie
Cella, Dora
Clark, Mrs Cudella
Chase, Mrs Jennie P
Casaman, Miss Will
Call, Mrs Hello
Dickinson, Mrs Chas
Dowell, Mrs P A
Ellison, Mrs Annie A
Faulkner, Miss J F
Gately, Mrs K
Gibson, Mrs Julie
Goole, Mattie
Givings, Mary A
Hamilton, Mrs Robb
Hord, Mrs Drusda
Kennedy, Miss S F
Riker, Mrs F
Kellogg, Sarah
Lovel, Mrs C
Lacy, Mary
Lechner, Mrs A M
Meader, Miss M J
Merlob, Annie C
Mooney, Mrs Lydia
Moss, Mattie
Moore, Bella
Moore, Isabella
Morlss, Anna
Markham, Miss R J
Mosher, Zurna
McClure, Mrs E M
McGraw, Emma
McNaught, Mrs Mary
Purdue, Mrs M E
Patterson, Miss I A
Dallie, Emma
Perry, Miss E
Peckern, Mrs Margt
Pool, Mrs Josephine H
Powney, Miss Hannah
Parker, Mrs Nellie
Rugo, Mrs Carrie
Ryan, Mrs John
Raymond, Mrs Jane
Riggelmann, Marie
Robbins, Hulda
Ross, Lilly
Robbins, Olive
Sweeny, Mrs E
Salmon, Mr. Mary
Shaw, Mrs Annie
Smith, Sarah
Smith, Mrs James
Smith, Mrs Henry
Trainor, Katie
Thiessen, Mrs Lena
Thayer, Agnes
Vaughan, Mrs Clara
Wall, Mrs Emma
Watson, Mrs Nellie
Walker, Mrs Lucy
Williams, Nellie
Young, Mrs Helen

Gentlemen's List.

Anderson, A
Armstrong, D
Adams, George
Bloom M
Bloomfield, W B
Barber, Martl
Beal, Wm
Benor, S
Benner, Simon
Bowman, B H
Boyd, L T M
Bowlan, J B
Brace, James
Bruce, A T
Burdsall, T D
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